

Re: NAB petition 04-160I was extremely disappointed to learn that the National Association of Broadcasters is seeking to limit the ability of satellite radio providers to provide local content.

As a weekly traveler between Washington, DC and Philadelphia, I depend heavily on the news, traffic and weather information provided by XM Satellite Radio.

This is information, I must emphasize, that commercial broadcasters fail to provide on any kind of consistent or dependable basis in the various radio

"markets" I drive through during these regular trips. So why punish XM and others for providing content that commercial stations fail to offer anyway?

A proper role for FCC oversight would be to encourage markets and environments in which new services, driven by new technology such as that used by satellite radio, could continue to grow ? not stifle their enterprise with actions designed solely to benefit a few big commercial broadcast companies.

I trust the FCC and its commissioners will agree.

Sincerely,

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